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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed April 24, 2008, and having a period for response set to expire on May 24, 2008. Applicants elect claims 1-11 directed to the invention of Group I. Applicants reserve the right to further prosecute without prejudice the non-elected claims 12-19 of Group II.

If there are any additional fees associated with this Response, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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